* An ambitious and enthusiastic Bachelor of Corporate Law (International) graduate of NUIGalway, with a 2.1 Honours degree.
* A current hard-working, committed and determined final year LLB postgraduate who possesses a genuine interest and understanding of corporate law.
* Secured future traineeship in the European Parliament.
* A versatile individual who thrives in a fast-paced dynamic, team-working environment which became apparent during an internship at the European Parliament.
* Strong cross-cultural competencies developed on an Erasmus year upon where I attended a German university and acquired fluency in the German language.
* A two-month legal work experience in a solicitor`s firm.
* A part-time job in Connemara Marble Ltd all through university.
* Currently seeking a challenging traineeship within a full-service law firm which will offer early responsibilities, and the opportunity to develop practical legal skills.

**Education**

**University:** National University of Ireland Galway

2017-2018 LLB

2013-2017 Bachelor of Corporate Law (International)

**Secondary school:** St. Paul`s Secondary School, Oughterard, Co. Galway

2007- 2013 Leaving Cert 2013 – Total CAO points 420

**Legal Work Experience**

**Date:** July 2017 **Employer:** Mairead McGuinness **Title:** European Parliament Internship

* Two-week internship in the Office of Vice-President Mairead McGuinness in the European Parliament in Brussels.
* During this time, I completed a various number of tasks such as;
  + Attending committee group meetings and hearings
  + Producing concise and detailed written briefings about the meetings
  + Carrying out background research relating to various areas of EU policy and Brexit
  + Translating documents and speeches from German to English
  + Drafting letters and responses to constituency queries
  + Co-ordinating with the European Parliament`s administration staff on behalf of the Office of the Vice-President in assisting with event organisation and management.
* This internship has equipped me with various cross-cultural competencies, co-ordination and team-work skills, which will prove to be invaluable in my future employment.

**Date:** July 2017- Sept.2017 **Employer:** Cormac McCarthy Solicitors **Title:** Legal Intern

* Legal work experience in a solicitor’s firm working in various areas of law including litigation, family law, corporate law and litigation.
* I completed many tasks during this period which included;
  + Direct assistance with cases which required legal research
  + Legal filing and administration duties
  + Drafting and responding to client queries
  + Working with solicitors on top level cases which gave me an insight into the preparation, research and work on each individual case
  + Attending court hearings and compiling written briefings.

**Date:** January 2018 – Present **Employer:** D.M. O`Connor & Co Solicitors **Title:** Legal Intern

* Clinical placement as part of my postgraduate LLB degree
* Researching various cases including litigation, family law, commercial law and conveyancing
* Attending court hearings regularly with regards to ongoing cases
* Legal filing and administration duties
* Working with integrated legal teams of solicitors on various legal matters

**Academic Writings**

* “The cause of the 2008 banking crisis in Ireland was a lack of proper regulation.” Critically discuss.
* “There is a need for radical reform to the banking system”. Discuss with reference to at least one radical reform proposal.
* Exploring the Limits of EU Law: The Stability Treaty and the use of EU institutions in intergovernmental agreements **Interests**
* National Cup Basketball player with Maree BC – Having played the sport since I was 5, competing both at local and national level, it has equipped me with strong team-working skills.
* Basketball coach for 2 weeks every summer from 2009 – 2015.
* A competitive Irish dancer for 12 years, competing all over Ireland which required a large amount of discipline, commitment and motivation.

**International Experience**

* An Erasmus year in Germany proved to be an invaluable experience, where I studied law through German for a year at the Georg-August-Universität-Göttingen.
* An introduction to a new environment and culture enabled me to conquer change.
* I took various law modules through German as well as language classes to improve fluency.
* A high level of intercultural competence was also acquired as I travelled throughout Europe and observed various new cultures, acquiring an in depth global awareness.
* It required independence and confidence which equipped me with effective adaptability.

**Achievements**

* Received Bronze Gaisce Award – One hour of community work for 13 weeks, which I varied between the community such as volunteering at a nursing home, at the local national school, and coaching young basketballers.
* One of twelve chosen to go to Boston to participate in basketball training camps and US leagues.

**Skills**

* Cross-cultural communication, analytical skills, flexibility, and adaptability are all dominant skills which I developed on my international experiences.
* Fluent in German and high standard of the Irish language.
* Planning, organisational and administrative skills further developed through my legal experiences.
* Excellent team work as well as leadership skills obtained through a sporting role.
* Proficient in MS office computer (Excel, Office, Word) and I.T skills.

**Referees**

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**Appendix – Results**

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| Postgraduate LLB | Grade |
| Administrative Law | 70 |
| Land Law | 70 |
| English Land Law | 67 |
| Criminal Law | 67 |
| Jurisprudence | 67 |
| Equity | Pending |
| Essay | Pending |
| Clinical Placement | Pending |
| Final Year | **Grade** |
| Legal Business and Ethics | 72 |
| Employment Relations | 70 |
| Cross-Cultural Management | 70 |
| Legal German | 68 |
| Banking Law | 68 |
| Medical Device and Regulations | 67 |
| Labour Law II | 65 |
| Health and Safety Law | 63 |
| Information Technology Law | 62 |
| Consumer Law & Policy | 54 |
| Labour Law I | 48 |
| Overall Result: | 65 |
| Erasmus (Taken in German) | **Grade** |
| International & European Business Law I | 73 |
| International & European Business Law II | 73 |
| Applied Criminology | 72 |
| Criminology | 72 |
| German Legal Systems | 71 |
| Second Year | **Grade** |
| Management | 72 |
| Company Law II | 70 |
| European Union Law II | 66 |
| Company Law I | 65 |
| Legal German | 64 |
| European Union Law I | 62 |
| Essay | 55 |
| Commercial Law | 56 |
| Principles of Macro-economics | 55 |
| Management of organisational change | 51 |
| Principles of Micro-economics | 43 |
| Overall Grade | 61 |
| First Year | **Grade** |
| Legal Methods & Research | 64 |
| Legal German | 58 |
| Tort | 55 |
| Constitutional | 50 |
| Introduction to Financial Accounting | 48 |
| Introduction to Management Accounting | 48 |
| Irish Legal Systems | 45 |
| Contract | 40 |
| Overall Grade: | 50 |